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**REQUEST
FOR
CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)
TRANSMITTAL**

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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000,
provides for continued examination of an utility or
plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995

Application Number	09/323,135
Confirmation Number	8820
Filing Date	June 1, 1999
First Named Inventor	Christian LAROQUE
Group Art Unit	2665
Examiner Name	Justin M. PHILPOTT
Matter Number	Q54622
Title	A SWITCH PROVIDED WITH A SIGNALLING COUPLER, AND A METHOD OF SENDING A SIGNALLING MESSAGE

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

1. SUBMISSION REQUIRED UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

- a. ☐ Previously submitted
- i. ☐ Please enter and consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116
previously filed on _____
- ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____
- iii. ☐ Other _____
- b. ☒ Enclosed
- i. ☒ Amendment/Reply
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statements (IDS)
- iv. ☒ Petition for Extension of Time
- v. ☐ Other _____

2. MISCELLANEOUS

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a
period of _____ months
- b. ☐ Other _____

3. FEES

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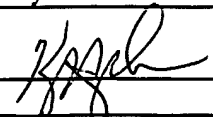
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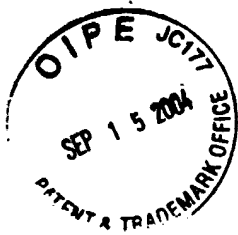
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PATENT APPLICATION

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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114(c)

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Sir:

Prior to Examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows on the
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